



NEWS RELEASE

Media Contact:

Sarah Ardalani
Public Information Officer
213-257-2000
SArdalani@da.lacounty.gov
Twitter: @LADAOOffice

Jan. 8, 2016

Woman Sentenced to Jail for Metro Train Robbery Attack

An 18-year-old woman was sentenced yesterday to 270 days in county jail for an attempted robbery attack that was captured on video and shared on social media, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

At Thursday's court appearance, defendant Aliyah Alize Von Lewis pleaded no contest to a felony count of attempted robbery within a public vehicle in case TA138851.

In addition to jail, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Lynn D. Olson also sentenced Von Lewis to three years of probation. Furthermore, the defendant was ordered to stay away from the victim for three years and attend one year of anger management classes.

Deputy District Attorney Osman Abbasi, who prosecuted the case, said on Dec. 8 Von Lewis approached a girl as she entered the Metro train and violently tried to take her backpack.

The attack was captured on video and shared on social media, the prosecutor added.

Three days after the incident, Von Lewis was arrested and subsequently charged in connection with the attack.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

#

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.